

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – JUNE 4, 2012**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 p.m. as was duly advertised. All three commissioners were in attendance: President, Bill Amos, Louis Jody Fortwendel, and Thomas Hauser. A representative of the *Perry County News* was present along with County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, Attorney Jeff Hagedorn and Chief Deputy Pam Goffinet in the absent of Auditor Connie Berger.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Tom made a motion to approve all claims and payroll checks. Jody seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0. The commissioners signed claims dockets in the amounts of \$279,779.77; \$181,127.82 for Highway claims; and advances of \$1,496.66, \$571.41 and \$4,252.00 for a total of \$467,227.66. In addition, the payroll dockets were approved in the amounts of \$114,568.93 for the May 21st payroll and \$115,136.59 for the June 4th payroll and \$6,985.00 for the election payroll claims distributed on June 4, 2012.

MINUTES

The minutes from the meetings of May 7th and May 16th, 2012 had been mailed to the commissioners for their review. Jody made the motion to approve the minutes as written, and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

BOND APPROVAL

The commissioners had before them the surety bond for, Hubert Voges, Part-Time Administrator within the Planning & Zoning office. Jody made the motion to approve the bond and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

Chief Deputy Auditor, Pam Goffinet, presented the commissioners with the 2011 Emergency Management Performance Grant. She explained that this grant reimburses the county ½ of the salary for the salary positions within the Emergency Management budget. Jody made the motion to approve the grant application and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

GRANT AGREEMENT – HOOSIER SOUTHERN RAILROAD

Phil Wilzbacher, and Kevin Teague of the Perry County Port Authority along with Lisa Gehlhausen of Indiana 15 Regional Planning attended the meeting to discuss a grant agreement for funding the replacement of a railroad bridge. Kevin explained that in 2009 the Perry County Port Authority applied for the grant through the Federal Transportation and Housing Economic Development. The grant is in the amount of \$380,000 and will be used to replace a railroad bridge over the Anderson River. The estimated total cost of the project is \$1.2 million with the Port Authority providing some of the funding plus another grant that they received. The engineering on the bridge has been completed and they are about ready to let bids. Lisa explained that this grant went through Perry County and all the correspondence goes to the Auditor's office and then is forwarded to the Port Authority and IN 15. They presented the commissioners with a grant agreement to be approved and signed. Jody made the motion to approve the Grant/Cooperative Agreement pending the approval of grant agreement by the President of the Port Authority. Tom seconded the motion and the motion carried 3-0.

GRIEVANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURE

Matt Wallace with Bernardin, Lochmueller & Associates attended the meeting and reminded the commissioners that last month they had reviewed the Grievance Policy and Procedure and tonight the public hearing on the proposed ADA Grievance Policy was to be conducted. There were no comments from the public on the Grievance Policy. Tom made the motion to adopt the Policy and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See attachment "A" Grievance Policy and Procedure)

ORDINANCE – REZONING

The commissioners had before them a Certification from the Perry County Plan Commission to change the zone map from B-1 More Intensive Business to R-1 Residential. The petition to change the zone map was by Randy Foury, Joyce N. Foury-Flamion and Dewane Flamion. The Plan Commission held a public meeting on May 22, 2012 and made a favorable recommendation on the request. Tom made the motion to approve the rezoning request, and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See attachment “B” Ordinance No. O-C-12-5)

ORDINANCE - EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK UPDATES

Jeff Hagedorn presented the commissioners with an Ordinance amending the employee handbook. Jeff explained that starting July 1, 2012 there are several new laws that will go into effect that will involve county employees. Kent Irwin of Waggnor Irwin and Scheele had prepared the documentation for both the County Employee handbook and the Perry County Highway Department handbook. County Attorney Chris Goffinet had review all the information and found it to be in proper legal order. The amendment will include information on Nepotism; Elective Officer and County Employment Restricted and Contracting with the County. On the Nepotism part any family member hired before July 1, 2012 will be grandfathered in. Also, each year there will be a compliance paper that all elected officials will have to sign and file with the County Commissioners. Jody made the motion to approve the Ordinances and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See attachment “C” Ordinance No. O-C-12-6)

ORDINANCE – ENACTING A CODE OF ORDINANCES

Jeff Hagedorn presented the commissioners with an Ordinance Enacting a Code of Ordinances of Ordinances. The commissioners were reminded that last year they voted to hire American Legal Publishers to codify all county ordinances. They have now completed this project and an ordinance should be adopted. It was explained that the all county ordinances are available on line at American Legal Publishers web page for viewing or a book is available in the Auditor’s office. Updates will be made yearly to the book for any new ordinances that are passed. Jody made the motion to approve the Ordinance and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See attachment “D” Ordinance No. O-C-12-7).

RESOLUTION – JAIL PROJECT

Attorney Jeff Hagedorn explained that in 1992 an Economic Development Area was approved to construct the Perry County Courthouse. By setting up this area, the County could finance the construction of the courthouse with bonds. On May 9, 2012 the Redevelopment Commission approved an amendment to the Economic Development Area to allow construction of a jail and sheriffs office within this area. The Perry County Plan Commission approved the amendment at their meeting on May 22, 2012, and now the Commissioners also need to approve the amendment. Tom made the motion to approve the Resolution and Jody seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. (See attachment “E” Resolution No. R-C-12-3)

AMBULANCE REMOUNT

Chief Deputy, Pam Goffinet, reminded the commissioners that at their last meeting they voted to proceed with the bidding process to remount a current ambulance. At the meeting this evening they would need to decide if they wanted to include in the bid that the vendor doing the remount would supply the financing or did they want to try and finance through a local bank. Also they needed to decide for how many years they wanted to finance the remount. Pam explained that the County Auditor, Connie Berger, suggested they finance the purchase for 3 years making the first payment in 2012. The commissioners discussed their options about the financing of the remount. Jody made a motion to go with the 3 year financing as done before with the bidder doing the financing unless a better deal can be found from the local banks. Tom seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0. Pat Lambert Director of the Perry County EMS will prepare the specification for the remount of the ambulance.

WELLNESS PROGRAM

At the commissioners meeting on May 16 the commissioners had a presentation on a wellness program for Perry County Employees from Local Insurance Agent, Pete Franzman, and Rex Whitten with Benicomp. No action was taken at the May meeting until more information could be obtained. Jody stated that he had not had time to look into this program since the last meeting. The commissioners were not sure what the total cost would be per employee if the county did the blood screening at the same time as Tell City. Also, they were not sure what incentives should be offered to employees to encourage them to take part in the program. After much discussion it was decided that the Trustees of the insurance would meet and discuss the wellness program. The commissioners decided to table the issue until the June 20th meeting.

It was announced that the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes approved this 6th day of August, 2012.

Bill Amos, President

Louis Jody Fortwendel

Thomas J. Hauser

Minutes taken by: Chief Deputy Auditor, Pam Goffinet:

Minutes prepared by: Connie A. Berger, Perry County Auditor